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SUBJECT: RADAR COMPATIBILITY AND EGYPTIAN ADVISERS

REF: (A) KUWAIT 3687 041350Z AUG 76 (B) KUWAIT 3374

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1. FYI: SUBJECT OF EGYPTIAN AIR DEFENSE ADVISERS' ACCESS  
TO CLASSIFIED MATERIAL FOR KUWAIT I-HAWK PROGRAM CONTINUES  
TO BE UNDER ACTIVE REVIEW. THIS QUESTION HAS BEEN COMPLI-  
CATED EVEN FURTHER BY NECESSITY TO CONSIDER IMPACT OF GOK'S  
REPORTED DECISION (REFTEL B) TO PURCHASE SOVIET ARMS WITH  
POSSIBILITY OF ARRIVAL SOVIET TECHNICIANS OR ADVISERS.  
THERE WILL NOT BE A DECISION ON THIS QUESTION IN  
TIME TO ALLOW EGYPTIAN ADVISER TO ATTEND CLASSIFIED PORTIONS

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OF RADAR COMPATIBILITY TESTS IN VAN NUYS AUGUST 16-27. SINCE

GOK IS UNLIKELY TO HAVE A KUWAITI OFFICER CAPABLE OF FOLLOWING RADAR TESTS FOR COMPATIBILITY PURPOSES- WE THINK THE BEST THING TO DO IS NOT TO ENCOURAGE KUWAITIS TO SEND ANY OBSERVER AT ALL AT THIS TIME BUT RATHER TO AWAIT REPORTS OF RADAR TESTS' RESULTS. WE SEE NO SENSE IN RAISING EGYPTIAN ADVISER ISSUE WITH GOK AT THIS TIME UNTIL MATTER RESOLVED WITHIN USG. END FYI.

2. IN RESPONDING TO LETTER FROM MINDEF UNDER SECRETARY AL

KHAMIS CONCERNING PROBLEM OF TPS-321 RADAR COMPATIBILITY WITH TSQ-73 I-HAWK COMMAND AND COORDINATION SYSTEM, YOU SHOULD INFORM MINDEF THAT MICOM WILL BE OBSERVING COMPATIBILITY TESTS AND WILL BE FORWARDING RESULTS TO GOK AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. SHOULD GOK RAISE QUESTION OF SENDING OBSERVERS, YOU SHOULD SAY THAT WE BELIEVE MICOM WILL CAREFULLY MONITOR TESTS AND THAT THERE IS NO NEED TO SEND ANYONE AT THIS STAGE UNLESS IT APPEARS FROM RESULTS THAT THERE ARE TECHNICAL PROBLEMS ARISING FROM INTEGRATION OF THESE TWO SYSTEMS.

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